



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Confirmation No. 8123

Teruaki SEKINE et al. : Docket No. 01208/P502 (PCT/US)

Serial No. 09/214,848 : Group Art Unit 1616

Filed January 14, 1999 : Examiner F. Choi

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COMPOSITIONS FOR VIRAL INFECTIONS, :  
PROCESS FOR PREPARING THE SAME,  
AND METHOD FOR PREVENTING/TREATING  
VIRAL INFECTIONS (AS AMENDED)

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE  
FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT  
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated January 14, 2002, the time for filing thereto being extended in accordance with the Petition for Extension and Notice of Appeal filed July 12, 2002, and the petition for a four month extension and Continued Prosecution Application submitted concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

#### In the Claims:

Kindly cancel claims 5-11 without prejudice.

Please add the following new claims:

12. A composition for treating or preventing viral infections, said composition comprising activated autologous lymphocytes effective against viral infections, said activated

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